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LA PALMA RANCH
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GOLDEN GLEN RANCH
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1924-25 ANNOUNCEMENT

HACHIYA PERSIMMONS

I am offering for the present season the finest trees ever grown, at greatly reduced prices. They are grafted or budded on the fast growing Lotus stock, the seed for which was especially imported from the most reliable source. The scions for these grafts and buds were cut by myself, or under my personal supervision, from my own best marked trees, and from trees of the so-called Thales strain. All of these trees have **borne fruit** of the largest size, and most perfect shape.

I have been growing Persimmons for 25 years, and have tried out many varieties, root stocks, and methods of nursery practice.

THE HACHIYA is the only variety worth planting for commercial purposes, for the following reasons: It is one of the earliest varieties. It grows into a large, long-lived, well-shaped tree, capable of producing up to 500 lbs. of fruit. The fruit is large, of beautiful shape, and ripens evenly. It is picked while hard, and may be handled, and cold-stored or shipped, like the Bartlett pear, to Eastern markets. The trees bear heavily every year, and no pests, or scales affect the foliage or fruit. Thus with minimum expense a sure crop of the highest priced fruit is raised every season.

I have a few Hyakume, Tamopan, Fuyu, all late varieties.

Prices in the Los Angeles wholesale market last season averaged about 8 cents per lb., for the crop. The market was strong, and stored fruit brought 15 cents at the Holidays. Trial shipments to several Eastern auctions brought from 15 to 25 cents gross. The potential market for this fruit is unlimited and these prices may be maintained for many years by cooperative methods.

A Persimmon Growers' Association has been organized, and holds an annual meeting in October, to which all are invited. It will, in due time, work out and control the marketing problems, as they occur.

INTERSETTING—I can, with assurance, advise the intersetting of Persimmons in citrus and walnut plantings. They take the same cultural treatment, and do well together. The Persimmon is a brittle tree and appreciates protection from wind and sun. My own bearing orchard, 12 years old, is interset in Grapefruit, 24 by 24, and I get twice the income from the same ground, with no more cultural expense, and without any apparent deterioration of either crop. Many have interset their unproductive orange groves during the past season. I have myself interset 5 acres, in 8 year old orange orchard, and will interset 10 acres more this season.

BRANCHED TREES—I have definitely adopted the system of allowing the trees to branch naturally in the nursery, and selling by caliper, instead of height. This method, on the larger sized trees, gives at least a year's advantage, when set in the field; and avoids the necessity of severe cutting back when planted, and the difficulty of forming a proper framework for the tree while it is getting established. I have adopted this system for Walnuts also. It is difficult to advance any good reasons for growing a long whip, selling it by the foot, and cutting it off at 3 or 4 feet when planted, especially as to get the long branchless whip, many of the lower buds may have been rubbed off, and may not start again, where they should. My trees, when branched, need not be cut back, and will be properly pruned both as to roots and tops before shipping, if desired.

BUDDED TREES—I can furnish a limited number of buds, in the larger sizes. Also, a large number of trees budded last April, which are $\frac{1}{2}$ inch caliper, and 4 feet high.

SERVICE—I am greatly interested in the Persimmon industry as a whole, both personally and as the present Chairman of the Executive Committee of the P. G. Ass'n., and will gladly give such advice and assistance to any grower as I am able to do. I will personally supervise large plantings, if desired. Printed instructions will be furnished each buyer.

The Persimmon does well everywhere in California. There are bearing trees in nearly every locality from San Diego to Chico.

WALNUTS

I also offer several thousand extra thrifty Walnut trees, grafted on either Northern black, or white roots. The scions were taken from trees bearing a very fine quality of nuts. All have been topped at 5½ feet, and allowed to branch, making very stocky trees.

I also have several hundred SEEDLINGS from the finest selected budded nuts. They will come fairly true to the seed, and will make larger and stronger trees than the budded, and less subject to disease, if my own experience is any guide.

GUARANTY

While no guaranty can be safely given, as the law has been interpreted, all deficiencies due to the nursery will be made good by replacements, or by refunding the money paid, and no sale will be made except under these conditions.